REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending in this application. Claim 4 has been amended to remove multiple dependencies.

Conclusion

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

Ву

D. Richard Anderson, #40,439

P.O. Box 747

Falls Church, VA 22040-0747

(703) 205-8000

Attachment(s):

DRA/tmr